

Montreal  
May 25<sup>th</sup> 1904.

Dear Father

When I last wrote to you I was just having for St Agathe. We left at 5:30 PM which was duly noted by the Star which also stated that from St Agathe we were to make a walking tour through the Laurentian mountains. We put up at a little French hotel - every one is French out there but we found out before we left that there were two people in the village who had

time. We had bright sunshine  
the nights of course being  
excepted!

We had to get up at four  
in the morning the day we  
came home as the only  
train leaves a five & the  
station is a little way  
off.

The Natural History excursion  
is to be this Saturday. The  
place chosen is Labelle  
(Chute aux Iriquois) which is  
the present terminus  
of the railway beyond St. Agathe.

It seems to me rather a  
pity to go so far for a  
one day excursion. It takes  
about four hours to get  
there in the train.

Grandpapa & Grandmama  
spent several days in Ottawa  
while the Royal Society was going on.

a slight knowledge<sup>2</sup> of English  
There was a new hotel, to  
be run on less primitive  
principles, in process of erection  
on an island in the lake.  
A bridge joins it with the  
shore.

We did a little fishing but  
our catches were not large,  
but we saw something  
that was. Some men who  
had been fishing in one  
of the numerous lakes of  
the vicinity brought to  
the village some grey trout  
weighing twenty & twenty-five  
pounds. They were nearly  
two feet long.

The weather favoured us  
for during the week we were  
there it rained only one  
morning - all the rest of the

the Queens birthday here was rather spoilt by rain. There was a light shower in the morning & after lunch it began again & rained heavily for several hours.

I hope Professor Calendar's photo will not be too late though it was much delayed by my St Agathe trip. I send you a photo of the old house at St Andrews which I took when I was up there. I think it is as good as can be expected considering the unfavourable circumstances which I mentioned in my last letter.

Yours aff.

Eric